

2005 Annual Statistical Report of the Delaware Judiciary

SUPREME COURT

2005 Annual Report Statistical Information

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	268	277	9	3.4%
Civil Appeals	264	262	-2	-0.8%
Certifications	0	1	1	100.0%
Original Applications	20	25	5	25.0%
Bd. On Prof. Resp.	11	15	4	36.4%
Bd. Of Bar Exam.	0	0	0	0.0%
Un Prac Law	1	1	0	0.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0	0	0.0%
Other	0	2	2	200.0%
Total	564	583	19	3.4%

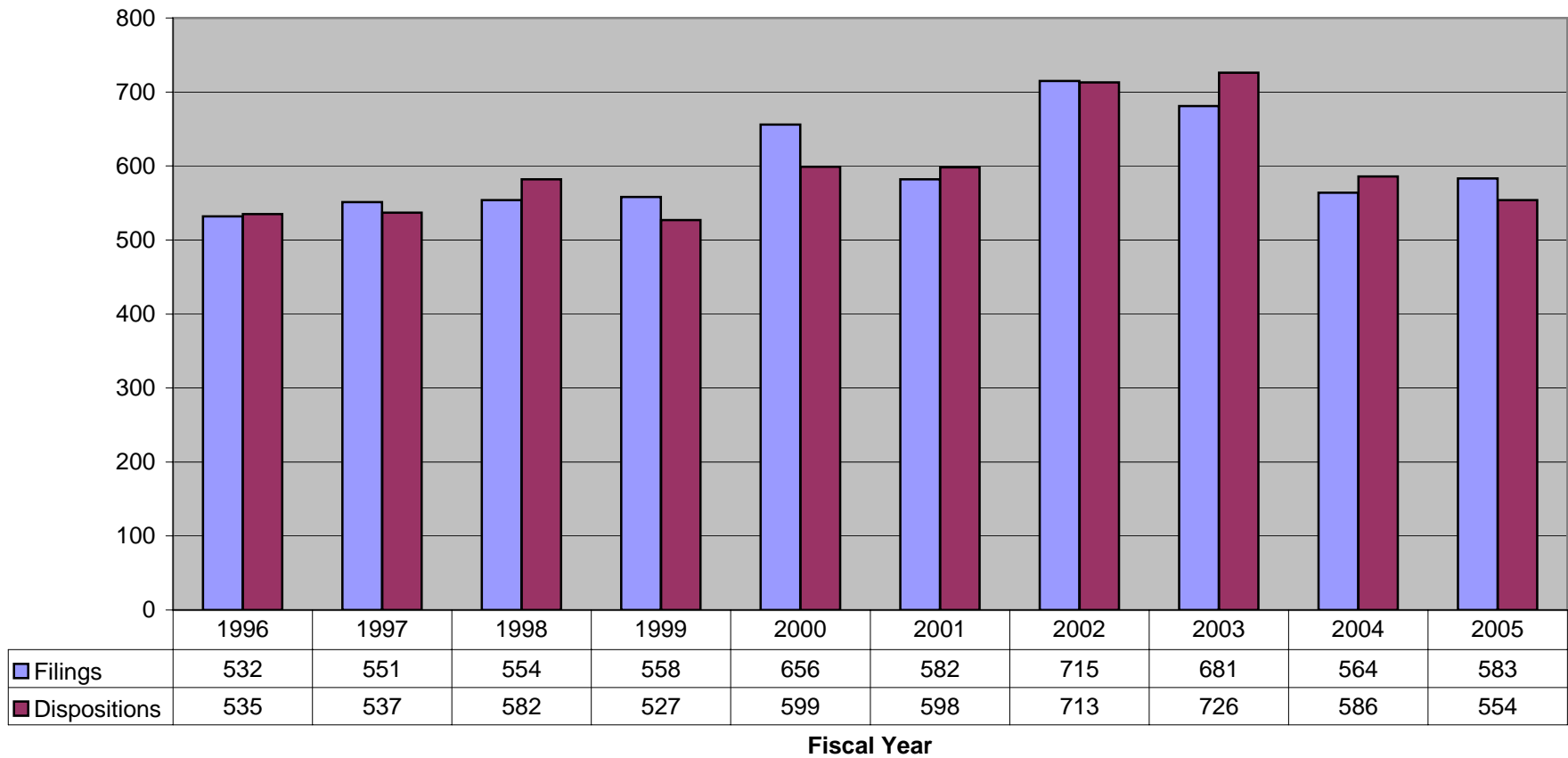
Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	293	243	-50	- 17.1%
Civil Appeals	258	269	11	4.3%
Certifications	0	1	1	100.0%
Original Applications	21	24	3	14.3%
Bd. On Prof. Resp.	12	14	2	16.7%
Bd. Of Bar Exam.	1	0	-1	- 100.0%
Un Prac Law	1	0	-1	- 100.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	1	1	100.0%
Other	0	2	2	200.0%
Total	586	554	- 32	- 5.5%

Bd. on Prof. Resp. = Board on Professional Responsibility

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Source: Court Administrator and Clerk of the Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts

Supreme Court Total 10 Year Caseload Trend

Supreme Court

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Filings										
	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total	
Criminal Appeals	0	0.0%	277	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	277	100.0%
Civil Appeals	57	21.8%	136	51.9%	69	26.3%	0	0.0%	262	100.0%
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%
Original Applications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	25	100.0%	25	100.0%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	100.0%	15	100.0%
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Un Prac Law	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	100.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	2	100.0%
Total	57	9.8%	413	70.8%	69	11.8%	44	7.5%	583	100.0%

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Dispositions										
	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total	
Criminal Appeals	0	0.0%	243	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	243	100.0%
Civil Appeals	50	18.6%	154	57.2%	65	24.2%	0	0.0%	269	100.0%
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%
Original Applications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	100.0%	24	100.0%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	100.0%	14	100.0%
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Un Prac Law	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	2	100.0%
Total	50	9.0%	397	71.7%	65	11.7%	42	7.6%	554	100.0%

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Source: Court Administrator and Clerk of the Supreme Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Appeals															
	Affirmed		Affirmed Part/ Reversed Part		Reversed	Remanded		Voluntary Dismissal		Court Dismissal		Leave to Appeal Denied		Other	Total
Criminal Appeals	177	72.8%	2	0.8%	3	1.2%	0	0.0%	15	6.2%	39	16.0%	0	0.0%	243
Civil Appeals	150	48.2%	8	2.6%	19	6.1%	0	0.0%	43	13.8%	52	16.7%	16	5.1%	311
Total	327	59.0%	10	1.8%	22	4.0%	0	0.0%	58	10.5%	91	16.4%	16	2.9%	554

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005- Miscellaneous															
Type	Action Taken*		Approved		Answered	Voluntary Dismissal		Court Dismissal		Denied	Leave to Appeal Denied		Other	Total	
Original Applications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	8.3%	19	79.2%	2	8.3%	0	0.0%	24
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	6	42.9%	7	50.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	7.1%	14
Bd. Of Bar Exam.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
Un Prac Law	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
Advisory Opinions	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	1
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2
Total	6	14.3%	7	16.7%	0	0.0%	2	4.8%	21	50.0%	2	4.8%	0	0.0%	42

Methods of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005												
	Assigned Opinion		Per Curiam Opinion		Written Order		Voluntary Dismissal		Other		Total	
Criminal Appeals	22	9.1%	1	0.4%	204	84.0%	15	6.2%	1	0.4%	243	100.0%
Civil Appeals	39	14.5%	4	1.5%	185	68.8%	41	15.2%	0	0.0%	269	100.0%
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	100.0%
Original Applications	0	0.0%	1	4.2%	20	83.3%	2	8.3%	1	4.2%	24	100.0%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0.0%	3	21.4%	10	71.4%	0	0.0%	1	7.1%	14	100.0%
Bd. Of Bar Exam.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Un Prac Law	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%
Total	61	11.0%	9	1.6%	422	76.2%	58	10.5%	4	0.7%	554	100.0%

*Action taken includes disbarments, suspensions and reinstatements.

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Performance Summary Fiscal Year 2005 - Average Elapsed Time to Disposition			
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition	Average Time From Submission to Disposition*
Criminal Appeals	243	187.8 days	48.0 days
Civil Appeals	269	187.2 days	36.2 days
Certifications	1	9.0 days	9.0 days
Original Applications	24	71.0 days	21.3 days
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	14	63.5 days	23.6 days
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0.0 days	0.0 days
Un Prac Law	0	0.0 days	0.0 days
Advisory Opinions	1	68.0 days	26.0 days
Other	2	81.5 days	22.5 days
Total	554	175.7 days	39.6 days

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Average Time From Filing to Disposition				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	187.0 days	187.8 days	0.8 days	0.4
Civil Appeals	188.5 days	187.2 days	-1.3 days	-0.7
Certifications	0.0 days	9.0 days	9.0 days	0.0
Original Applications	67.5 days	71.0 days	3.5 days	5.2
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	131.9 days	63.5 days	-68.4 days	-51.9
Bd. of Bar Exam.	256.0 days	0.0 days	-256.0 days	-100.0
Un Prac Law	16.0 days	0.0 days	-16.0 days	-100.0
Advisory Opinions	0.0 days	68.0 days	68.0 days	0.0
Other	0.0 days	81.5 days	81.5 days	0.0
Total	182.1 days	175.7 days	-6.4 days	-3.5

*Average time from date submitted for judicial decision to actual date of disposition. Not all Supreme Court dispositions require a judicial decision.

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Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Elapsed Time by Disposition Type			
Type of Disposition	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition	Average Time From Submission to Disposition*
Affirmed	327	216.7 days	49.4 days
Affirmed Part/Reversed Part	10	252.8 days	64.3 days
Reversed	22	291.6 days	73.4 days
Remanded	0	0.0 days	0.0 days
Voluntary Dismissal	58	92.4 days	3.0 days
Court Dismissal	91	80.9 days	25.3 days
Leave to Appeal Denied	16	30.8 days	14.3 days
Other	30	144.1 days	27.9 days
Total	554	175.7 days	39.6 days

Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Elapsed Time by Disposition Method			
Method of Disposition	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition	Average Time From Submission to Disposition*
Assigned Opinion	61	314.1 days	68.7 days
Per Curium Opinion	9	251.6 days	64.4 days
Written Order	422	166.8 days	40.3 days
Voluntary Dismissal	58	92.4 days	2.98 days
Other	4	46.3 days	6.75 days
Total	554	175.7 days	39.6 days

*Average time from date submitted for judicial decision to actual date of disposition. Not all Supreme Court cases require a judicial decision.

Source: Court Administrator and Clerk of the Supreme Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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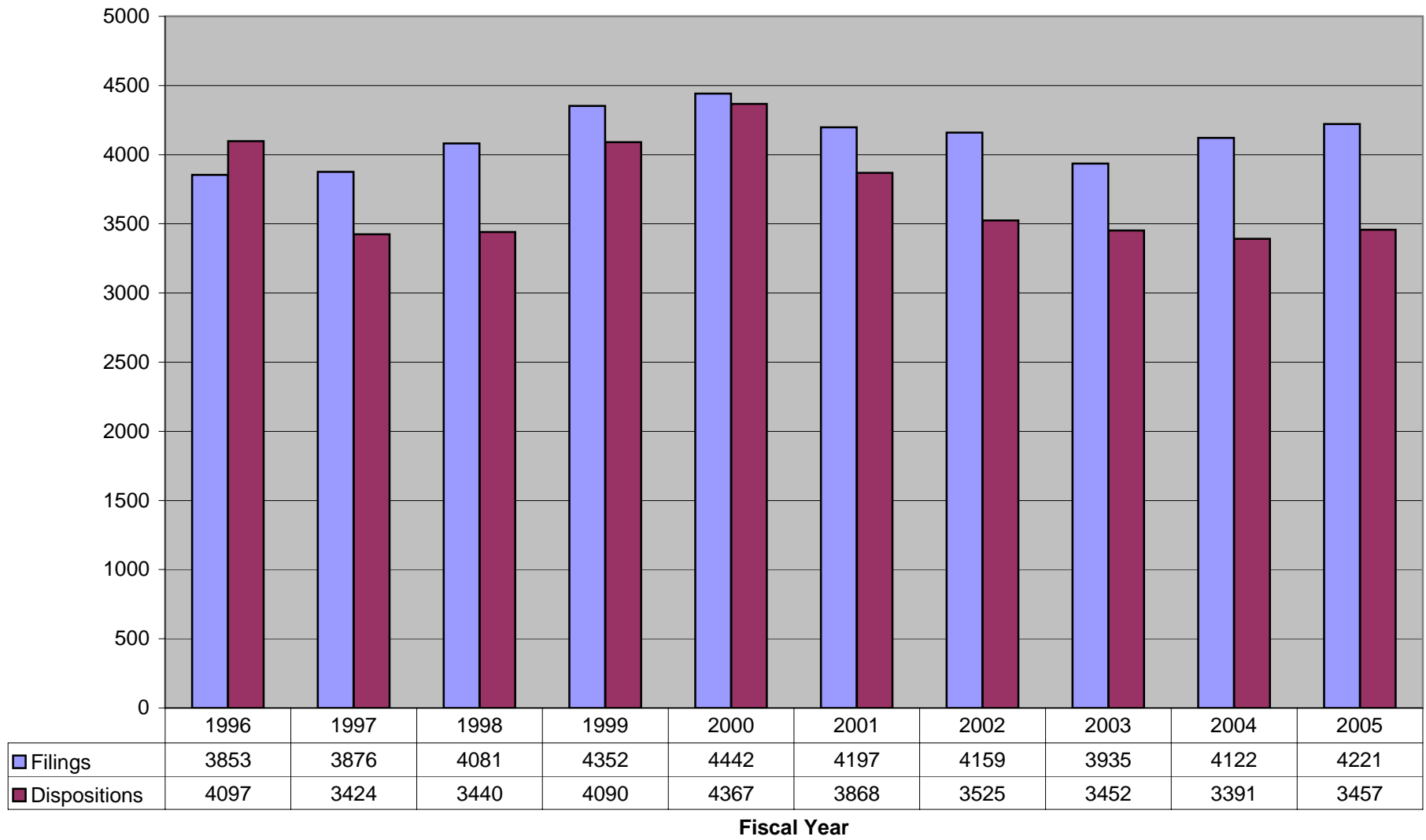
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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	2,715	2,796	81	3.0%
Kent County	545	555	10	1.8%
Sussex County	862	870	8	0.9%
State	4,122	4,221	99	2.4%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005- Total Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	2,134	2,259	125	5.9%
Kent County	512	466	-46	-9.0%
Sussex County	745	732	-13	-1.7%
State	3,391	3,457	66	1.9%

Source: Registers in Chancery; Registers of Wills; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Chancery 10 Year Total Caseload Trend



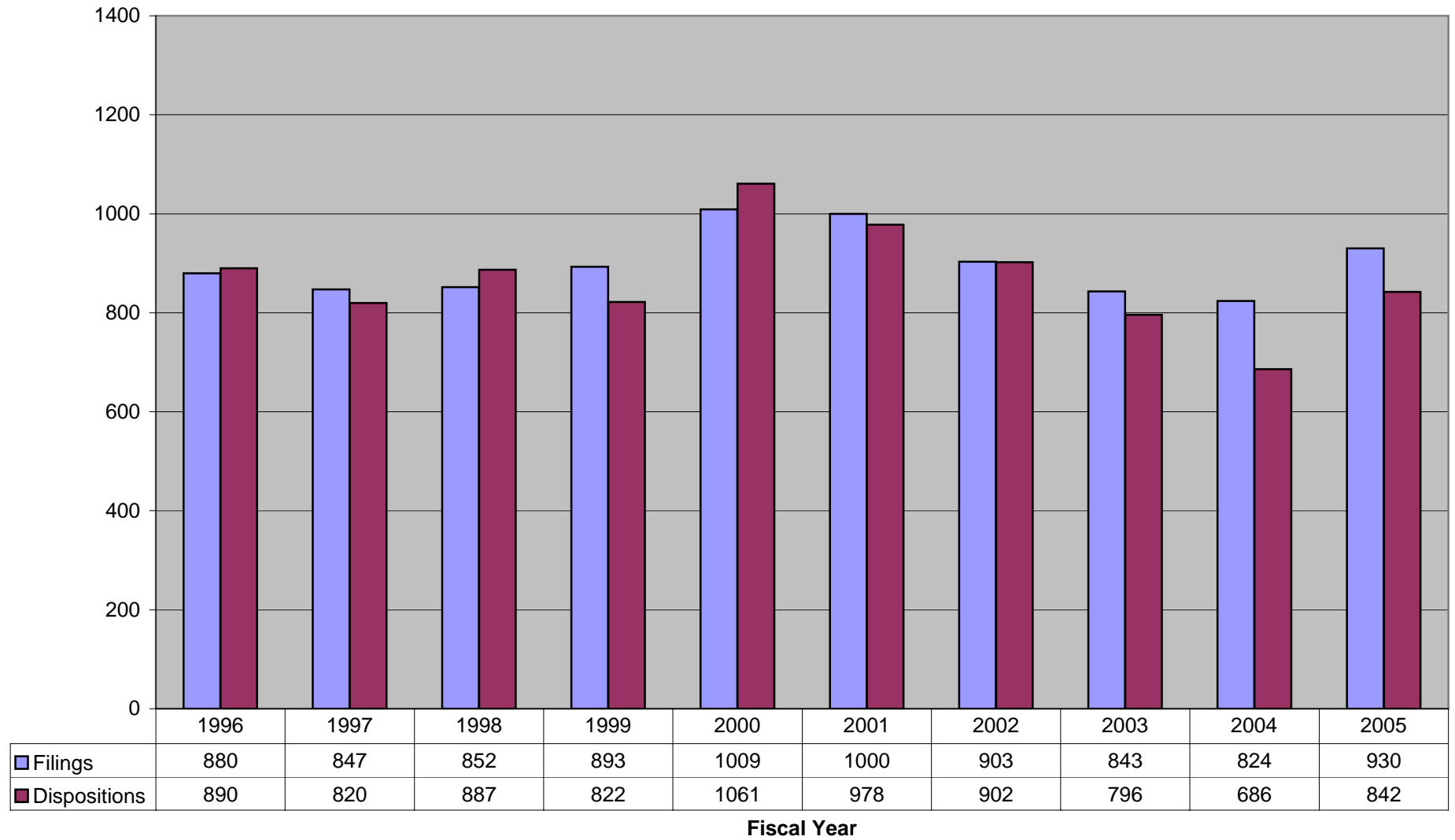
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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	679	753	74	10.9%
Kent County	44	51	7	15.9%
Sussex County	101	126	25	24.8%
State	824	930	106	12.9%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	571	708	137	24.0%
Kent County	39	30	-9	-23.1%
Sussex County	76	104	28	36.8%
State	686	842	156	22.7%

Source: Registers in Chancery; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Chancery Civil 10 Year Caseload Trend



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Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005- Miscellaneous Matters Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	542	533	-9	-1.7%
Kent County	143	110	-33	-23.1%
Sussex County	168	172	4	2.4%
State	853	815	-38	-4.5%

Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005- Miscellaneous Matters Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	237	247	10	4.2%
Kent County	133	89	-44	-33.1%
Sussex County	120	69	-51	-42.5%
State	490	405	-85	-17.3%

Source: Registers in Chancery; Administrative Office of the Courts

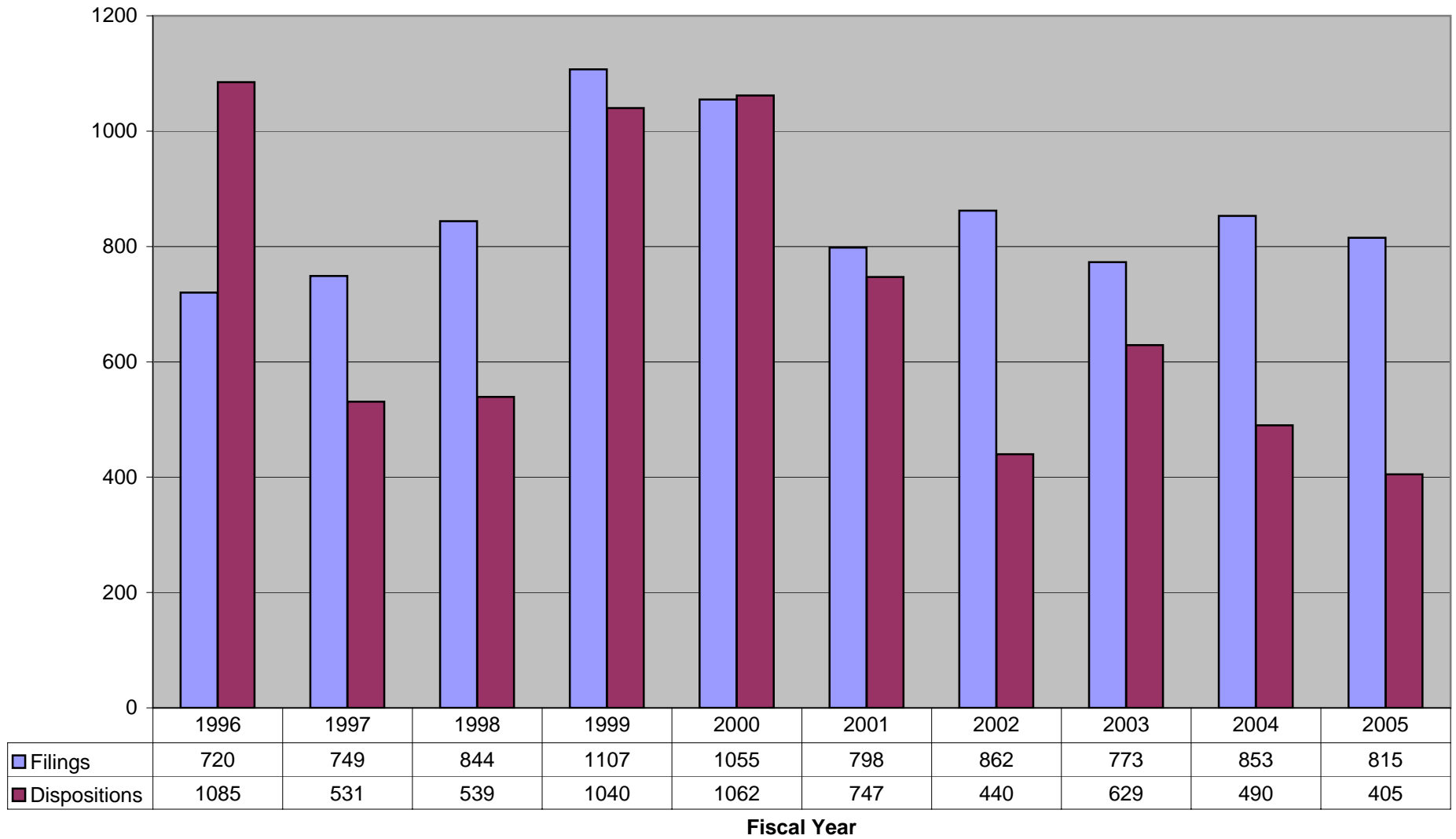
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Caseload Breakdown Fiscal Year 2005- Miscellaneous Matters Filed										
	Guardians for Minors		Guardians for Infirm		Trusts		Other Matters		Totals	
New Castle County	202	37.9%	159	29.8%	34	6.4%	138	25.9%	533	100.0%
Kent County	49	44.5%	44	40.0%	0	0.0%	17	15.5%	110	100.0%
Sussex County	51	29.7%	91	52.9%	0	0.0%	30	17.4%	172	100.0%
State	302	37.1%	294	36.1%	34	4.2%	185	22.7%	815	100.0%

Caseload Breakdown Fiscal Year 2005- Miscellaneous Matters Disposed										
	Guardians for Minors		Guardians for Infirm		Trusts		Other Matters		Totals	
New Castle County	118	47.8%	80	32.4%	39	15.8%	10	4.0%	247	100.0%
Kent County	28	31.5%	32	36.0%	12	13.5%	17	19.1%	89	100.0%
Sussex County	18	26.1%	33	47.8%	0	0.0%	18	26.1%	69	100.0%
State	164	40.5%	145	35.8%	51	12.6%	45	11.1%	405	100.0%

Source: Registers in Chancery; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Chancery Miscellaneous 10 Year Caseload Trend

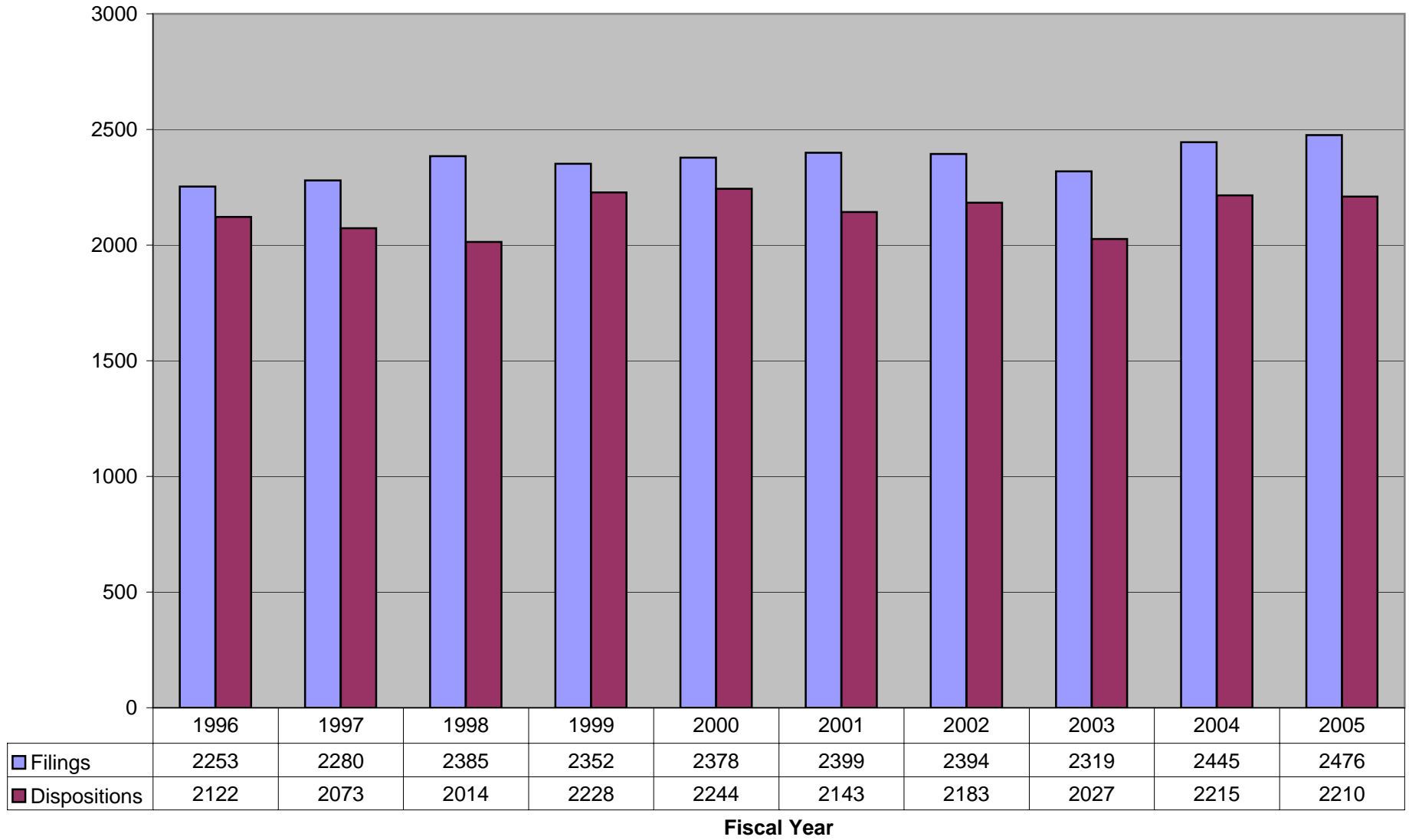


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Caseload Comparison- Fiscal Year 2004-2005- Estates Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	1,494	1,510	16	1.1%
Kent County	358	394	36	10.1%
Sussex County	593	572	-21	-3.5%
State	2,445	2,476	31	1.3%

Caseload Comparison- Fiscal Year 2004-2005- Estates Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	1,326	1,304	-22	-1.7%
Kent County	340	347	7	2.1%
Sussex County	549	559	10	1.8%
State	2,215	2,210	-5	-0.2%

Source: Registers of Wills; Administrative Office of the Court

Court of Chancery Estates 10 Year Caseload Trend

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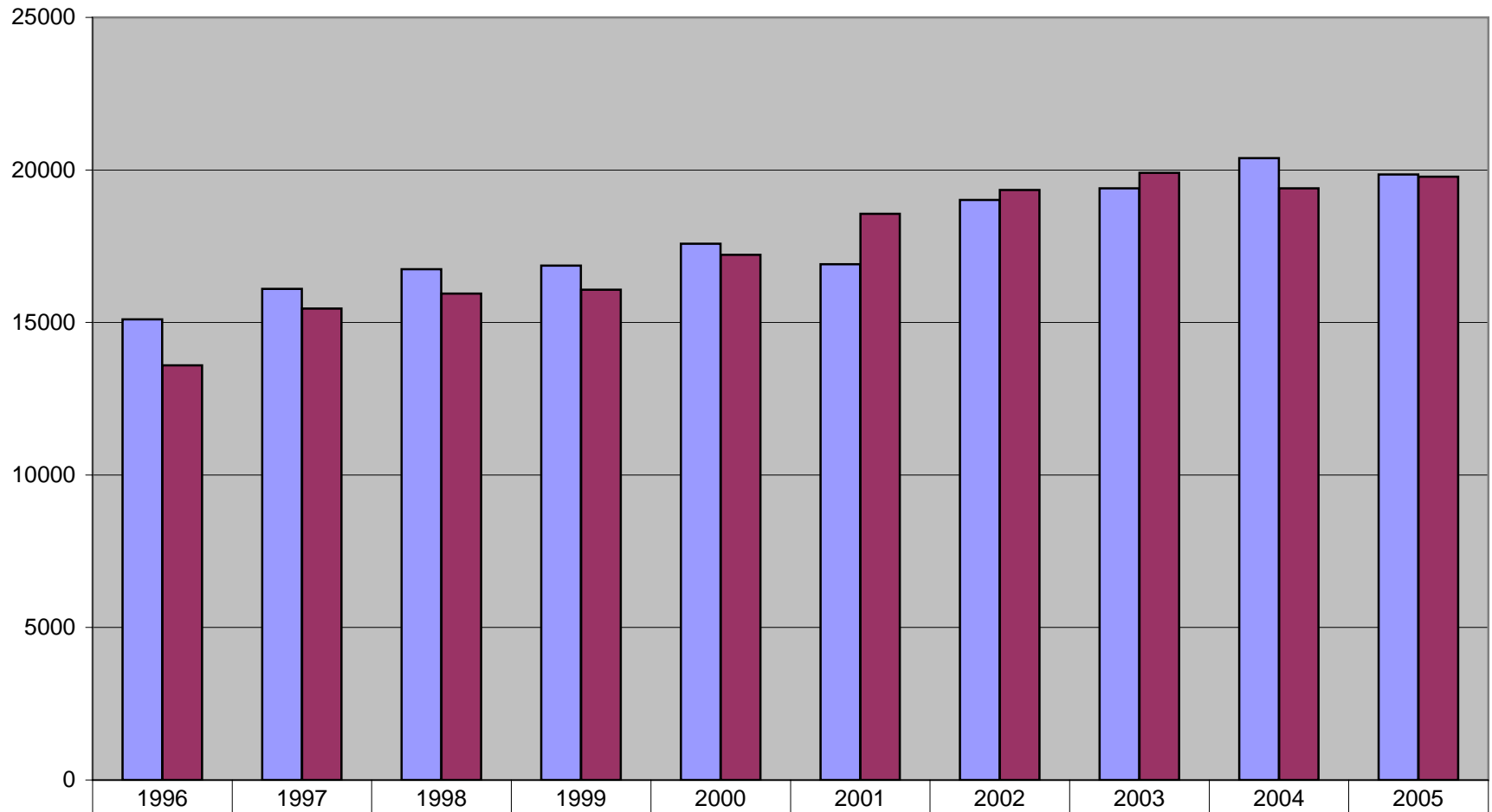
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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	13,858	13,479	-379	-2.7%
Kent County	3,655	3,508	-147	-4.0%
Sussex County	2,874	2,864	-10	-0.3%
State	20,387	19,851	-536	-2.6%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	13,028	13,276	248	1.9%
Kent County	3,431	3,632	201	5.9%
Sussex County	2,939	2,873	-66	-2.2%
State	19,398	19,781	383	2.0%

Source: Court Administrator, Prothonotaries Offices, and Case Scheduling Offices, Superior Court;
 Administrative Office of the Courts

Superior Court Total 10 Year Caseload Trend



Filings	15105	16103	16749	16866	17579	16907	19019	19393	20387	19851
Dispositions	13595	15456	15946	16070	17222	18562	19345	19907	19398	19781

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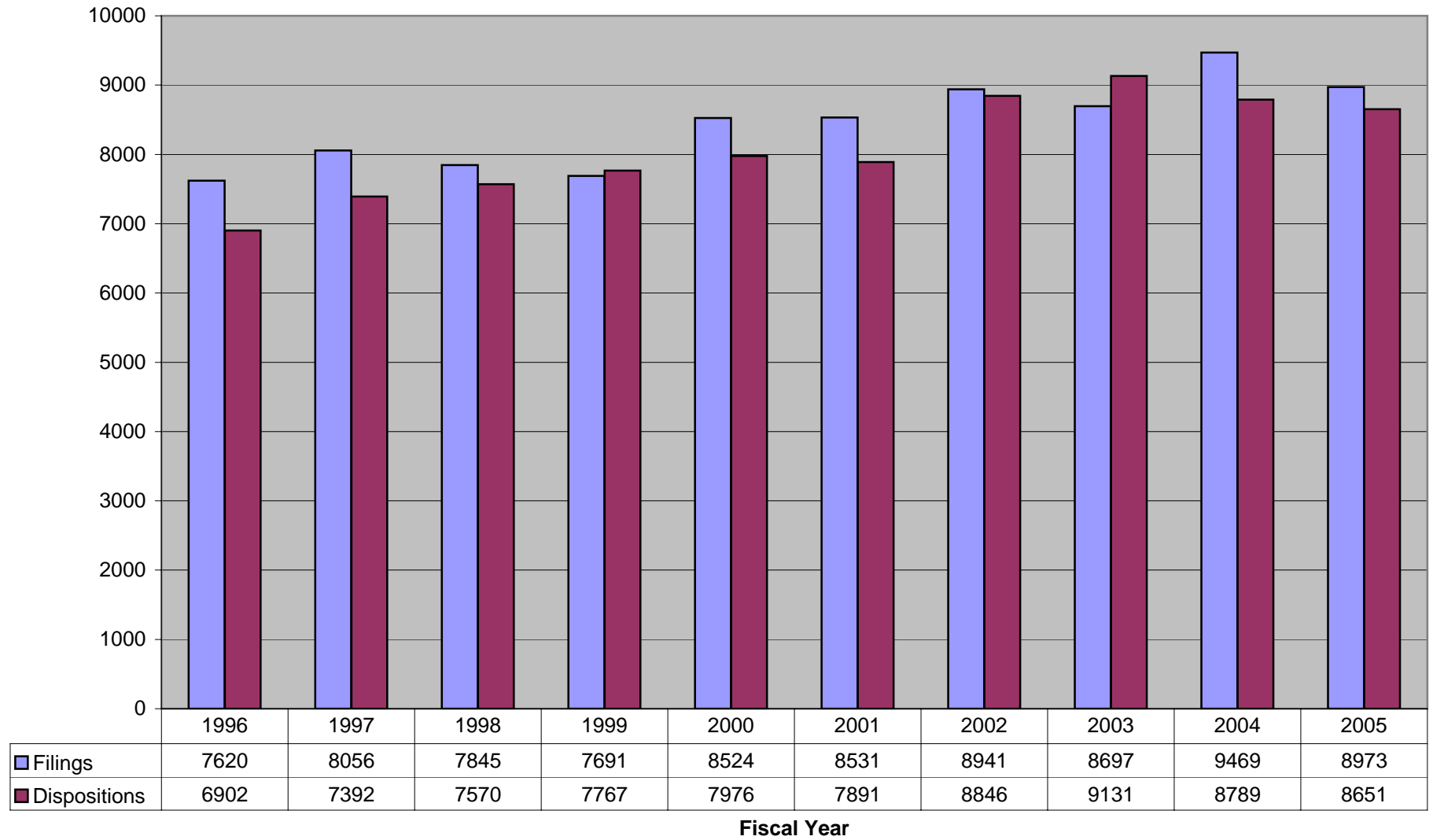
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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	5,476	5,134	-342	-6.2%
Kent County	2,171	2,070	-101	-4.7%
Sussex County	1,822	1,769	-53	-2.9%
State	9,469	8,973	-496	-5.2%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	5,001	4,738	-263	-5.3%
Kent County	1,979	2,235	256	12.9%
Sussex County	1,809	1,678	-131	-7.2%
State	8,789	8,651	-138	-1.6%

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Office, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

Superior Court Criminal 10 Year Caseload Trend



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Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Filings										
	Indictment		Rule 9 Warrant		Information		Other*		Total	
New Castle County	4,566	88.9%	375	7.3%	177	3.4%	16	0.3%	5,134	100.0%
Kent County	1,947	94.1%	15	0.7%	99	4.8%	9	0.4%	2,070	100.0%
Sussex County	348	19.7%	96	5.4%	1,312	74.2%	13	0.7%	1,769	100.0%
State	6,861	76.5%	486	5.4%	1,588	17.7%	38	0.4%	8,973	100.0%

Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Dispositions										
	Trial		Guilty Plea		Nolle Prosequi		Remand/Transfer		ADRR	
New Castle County	177	3.7%	3,249	68.6%	588	12.4%	12	0.3%	0	0.0%
Kent County	53	2.4%	1,507	67.4%	325	14.5%	11	0.5%	0	0.0%
Sussex County	39	2.3%	1,251	74.6%	168	10.0%	2	0.1%	3	0.2%
State	269	3.1%	6,007	69.4%	1,081	12.5%	25	0.3%	3	0.0%

Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Dispositions (cont.)										
	Dismissal		FOP/Drug Court**		Consolidation		Total			
New Castle County	159	3.4%	328	6.9%	225	4.7%	4,738	100.0%		
Kent County	66	3.0%	161	7.2%	112	5.0%	2,235	100.0%		
Sussex County	3	0.2%	70	4.2%	142	8.5%	1,678	100.0%		
State	228	2.6%	559	6.5%	479	5.5%	8,651	100.0%		

*Includes appeals, transfers, reinstatements and severances.

**FOP = First Offender Program

ADRR = Appeal Dismissed Record Remanded

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Office, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Trials - Part One							
	Jury Trial		Non-Jury Trial		Total		
New Castle County	159	89.8%	18	10.2%	177	100.0%	
Kent County	52	98.1%	1	1.9%	53	100.0%	
Sussex County	37	94.9%	2	5.1%	39	100.0%	
State	248	92.2%	21	7.8%	269	100.0%	
	Guilty		Not Guilty*		No Final Disposition**		Total
New Castle County	104	58.8%	48	27.1%	25	14.1%	177
Kent County	33	62.3%	11	20.8%	9	17.0%	53
Sussex County	28	71.8%	10	25.6%	1	2.6%	39
State	165	61.3%	69	25.7%	35	13.0%	269

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Trials - Part Two								
Jury Trial								
	Guilty		Guilty LIO		Not Guilty		Pled Guilty At Trial	
							Nol Pros/Dismiss at Trial	
							Mistrial	Hung Jury
								Total
New Castle County	74	6	35	10	9	12	13	159
Kent County	23	3	8	6	3	5	4	52
Sussex County	22	3	8	2	1	0	1	37
State	119	12	51	18	13	17	18	248
Non-Jury Trial								
	Guilty		Guilty LIO		Not Guilty		Pled Guilty At Trial	
							Nol Pros/Dismiss at Trial	
							Mistrial	Total
New Castle County	13	1	3	0	1	0		18
Kent County	0	0	0	1	0	0		1
Sussex County	1	0	1	0	0	0		2
State	14	1	4	1	1	0		21
All Trials								
	Guilty		Guilty LIO		Not Guilty		Pled Guilty At Trial	
							Nol Pros/Dismiss at Trial	
							Mistrial	Hung Jury
								Total
New Castle County	87	7	38	10	10	12	13	177
Kent County	23	3	8	7	3	5	4	53
Sussex County	23	3	9	2	1	0	1	39
State	133	13	55	19	14	17	18	269

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Nolle Prosequis						
	Nolle Prosequis By Special Condition		Nolle Prosequis By Merit		Total	
New Castle County	293	49.8%	295	50.2%	588	100.0%
Kent County	217	66.8%	108	33.2%	325	100.0%
Sussex County	32	19.0%	136	81.0%	168	100.0%
State	542	50.1%	539	49.9%	1,081	100.0%

ADRR = Appeal Dismissed Record Remanded

LIO = Lesser Included Offense

Nol Pros = Nolle Prosequi

*Includes Dismissals at Trial and Nolle Prosequis at Trial

**Hung Juries and Mistrials

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Office, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Felony Guilty Pleas								
	PG - Original		PG - Lesser		PG - Information/ New Information		Total	
New Castle County	1,838	91.3%	164	8.1%	11	0.5%	2,013	100.0%
Kent County	731	84.0%	139	16.0%	0	0.0%	870	100.0%
Sussex County	677	64.7%	369	35.2%	1	0.1%	1047	100.0%
State	3,246	82.6%	672	17.1%	12	0.3%	3,930	100.0%

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Misdemeanor Guilty Pleas								
	PG - Original		PG - Lesser		PG - Information/ New Information		Total	
New Castle County	661	53.5%	574	46.4%	1	0.1%	1,236	100.0%
Kent County	290	45.5%	347	54.5%	0	0.0%	637	100.0%
Sussex County	200	98.0%	4	2.0%	0	0.0%	204	100.0%
State	1151	55.4%	925	44.5%	1	0.0%	2,077	100.0%

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Total Guilty Pleas								
	PG - Original		PG - Lesser		PG - Information/ New Information		Total	
New Castle County	2,499	76.9%	738	22.7%	12	0.4%	3,249	100.0%
Kent County	1021	67.8%	486	32.2%	0	0.0%	1,507	100.0%
Sussex County	877	70.1%	373	29.8%	1	0.1%	1,251	100.0%
State	4,397	73.2%	1,597	26.6%	13	0.2%	6,007	100.0%

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Office, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Performance Summary Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Cases Elapsed Time			
	Total Number of Defendants Disposed of	Average Time from Arrest to Disposition	Average Time from Arrest/Indictment to Disposition
New Castle County	4,738	137.0 days	98.1 days
Kent County	2,235	157.0 days	104.4 days
Sussex County	1,678	116.5 days	72.5 days
State	8,651	136.9 days	91.7 days

Performance Summary Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal Cases Compliance With Speedy Trial Standard							
	Total Number Disposed of	Number Disposed of Within 120 Days of Arrest (90%)		Number Disposed of Within 180 Days of Arrest (98%)		Number Disposed of Within 365 Days of Arrest (100%)	
New Castle County	4,738	2,739	57.8%	3,413	72.0%	4,541	95.8%
Kent County	2,235	1,613	72.2%	1,912	85.5%	2,180	97.5%
Sussex County	1,678	1,440	85.8%	1,611	96.0%	1,663	99.1%
State	8,651	5,792	67.0%	6,936	80.2%	8,384	96.9%

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Performance Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal Cases				
Average Time From Arrest to Disposition				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	160.5 days	137.0 days	-23.5 days	-14.6%
Kent County	140.9 days	157.0 days	16.1 days	11.4%
Sussex County	96.4 days	116.5 days	20.1 days	20.9%
State	143.0 days	136.9 days	-6 days	- 4.3%

Performance Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal Cases				
Average Time From Indictment to Disposition				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	88.3 days	98.1 days	9.8 days	11.1%
Kent County	98.3 days	104.4 days	6.1 days	6.2%
Sussex County	62.9 days	72.5 days	9.6 days	15.3%
State	85.4 days	91.7 days	6.3 days	7.4%

Criminal Cases Performance Explanatory Notes Fiscal Year 2005

1. The performance summary charts measure the average time from the date of arrest to the date of disposition as well as the average time from the date of indictment/information to the date of disposition.
2. In measuring the elapsed time for defendants for the purpose of determining the rate of compliance with the speedy trial standards, the following are excluded by the Court:
 - a. For all capiases, the time between the date that the capias is issued and the date that it is executed.
 - b. For all Rule 9 summonses and Rule 9 warrants the time between the arrest and the indictment/information, if any.
 - c. For all nolle prosequis, the time between the scheduled trial date and the actual filing date of the nolle prosequis.
 - d. For all mental examinations, the time between the date that the examination is ordered and the date of the receipt of the results.
 - e. For all defendants deemed to be incompetent the period in which the defendant is considered incompetent.

Source: Court Administrator and Case Scheduling Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	8,382	8,345	-37	-0.4%
Kent County	1,484	1,438	-46	-3.1%
Sussex County	1,052	1,095	43	4.1%
State	10,918	10,878	-40	-0.4%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	8,027	8,538	511	6.4%
Kent County	1,452	1,397	-55	-3.8%
Sussex County	1,130	1,195	65	5.8%
State	10,609	11,130	521	4.9%

Source: Prothonotary's Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Filings											
	Complaints		Mechanic's Liens and Mortgages		Appeals		Involuntary Commitments		Miscellaneous		Total
New Castle County	3,609	43.2%	1,743	20.9%	142	1.7%	1,231	14.8%	1,620	19.4%	8,345
Kent County	632	43.9%	369	25.7%	34	2.4%	153	10.6%	250	17.4%	1,438
Sussex County	345	31.5%	365	33.3%	41	3.7%	0	0.0%	344	31.4%	1,095
State	4,586	42.2%	2,477	22.8%	217	2.0%	1,384	12.7%	2,214	20.4%	10,878

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Dispositions											
	Complaints		Mechanic's Liens and Mortgages		Appeals		Involuntary Commitments		Miscellaneous		Total
New Castle County	3,755	44.0%	1,819	21.3%	145	1.7%	1,239	14.5%	1,580	18.5%	8,538
Kent County	587	42.0%	402	28.8%	50	3.6%	128	9.2%	230	16.5%	1,397
Sussex County	384	32.1%	414	34.6%	29	2.4%	0	0.0%	368	30.8%	1,195
State	4,726	42.5%	2,635	23.7%	224	2.0%	1,367	12.3%	2,178	19.6%	11,130

Source: Prothonotary's Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases Complaints Dispositions														
Trial Dispositions					Non-Trial Dispositions									
Judgment for Plaintiff		Judgment for Defendant			Default Judgment for Plaintiff		Other Judgment for Plaintiff		Other Judgment for Defendant		Voluntary Dismissal		Court Dismissal	
														Total
New Castle County	44	1.2%	33	0.9%	127	3.4%	4	0.1%	3	0.1%	2,121	56.5%	924	24.6%
Kent County	9	1.5%	3	0.5%	31	5.3%	11	1.9%	3	0.5%	370	63.1%	81	13.8%
Sussex County	11	2.9%	2	0.5%	16	4.2%	25	6.5%	2	0.5%	241	62.9%	25	6.5%
State	64	1.4%	38	0.8%	174	3.7%	40	0.8%	8	0.2%	2,732	57.8%	1,030	21.8%

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases Mechanic's Lien and Mortgages Dispositions														
Trial Dispositions					Non-Trial Dispositions									
Judgment for Plaintiff		Judgment for Defendant			Default Judgment for Plaintiff		Other Judgment for Plaintiff		Judgment for Defendant		Voluntary Dismissal		Court Dismissal	
														Total
New Castle County	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	993	54.6%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	640	35.2%	180	9.9%
Kent County	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	245	61.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	115	28.7%	38	9.5%
Sussex County	1	0.2%	1	0.2%	195	47.2%	9	2.2%	0	0.0%	164	39.7%	26	6.3%
State	3	0.1%	1	0.0%	1,433	54.4%	10	0.4%	0	0.0%	919	34.9%	244	9.3%

Types of Dispositions Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases Appeals Dispositions														
Trial Dispositions						Non-Trial Dispositions								
Affirmed		Reversed		Remanded		Voluntary Dismissal		Court Dismissal		Other				Total
New Castle County	66	45.5%	6	4.1%	14	9.7%	29	20.0%	30	20.7%	0	0.0%	0	145
Kent County	17	35.4%	8	16.7%	3	6.3%	10	20.8%	8	16.7%	2	4.2%	2	48
Sussex County	14	48.3%	6	20.7%	0	0.0%	7	24.1%	1	3.4%	1	3.4%	1	29
State	97	43.7%	20	9.0%	17	7.7%	46	20.7%	39	17.6%	3	1.4%	3	222

Source: Prothonotary's Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Trial Activity Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Trials						
	Number of Jury Trials	Number of Non-Jury Trials	Number of Special Jury Trials	Total Number of Trials	Total Trial Days	Average Number of Days Per Trial
New Castle County	87	11	0	98	298 days	3.04 days
Kent County	14	1	0	15	46 days	3.07 days
Sussex County	6	6	0	12	22 days	1.83 days
State	107	18	0	125	366 days	2.93 days

Calendar Activity Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases											
	Cases Tried		Cases Settled or Dismissed		Cases Continued for Settlement		Cases Continued Due to Lack of Judge		Cases Continued at Request of Attorney		Total Cases Scheduled
New Castle County	98	9.7%	670	66.6%	40	4.0%	3	0.3%	195	19.4%	1006
Kent County	15	4.9%	170	55.0%	7	2.3%	19	6.1%	98	31.7%	309
Sussex County	12	5.0%	135	56.3%	9	3.8%	3	1.3%	81	33.8%	240
State	125	8.0%	975	62.7%	56	3.6%	25	1.6%	374	24.1%	1,555

Performance Summary Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases							
COMPLAINTS			MECHANIC'S LIENS AND MORTGAGES			APPEALS	
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time from Filing to Disposition		Number of Dispositions	Average Time from Filing to Disposition	Number of Dispositions	Average Time from Filing to Disposition
New Castle County	3,755	615.4 days		1,819	165.8 days	145	269.3 days
Kent County	587	359.6 days		402	208.2 days	50	288.9 days
Sussex County	384	556.1 days		414	197.9 days	29	381.1 days
State	4,726	578.8 days		2,635	177.3 days	224	288.1 days
INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS			MISCELLANEOUS			TOTAL	
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time from Filing to Disposition		Number of Dispositions	Average Time from Filing to Disposition	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition
New Castle County	1,239	98.4 days		1,580	71.4 days	8,538	338.0 days
Kent County	128	92.4 days		230	52.8 days	1,397	243.0 days
Sussex County	0	0.0 days		368	65.3 days	1,195	278.4 days
State	1,367	97.9 days		2,178	68.4 days	11,130	319.7 days

Source: Prothonotary's Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005-Civil Complaints-Method of Disposition											
	Trial		Arbitrator's Order		Default Judgment		Voluntary Dismissal		Other		Total
New Castle County	77	2.1%	438	11.7%	124	3.3%	2,121	56.5%	995	26.5%	3,755
Kent County	11	1.9%	77	13.1%	31	5.3%	369	62.9%	99	16.9%	587
Sussex County	13	3.4%	52	13.5%	16	4.2%	241	62.8%	62	16.1%	384
State	101	2.1%	567	12.0%	171	3.6%	2,731	57.8%	1156	24.5%	4,726

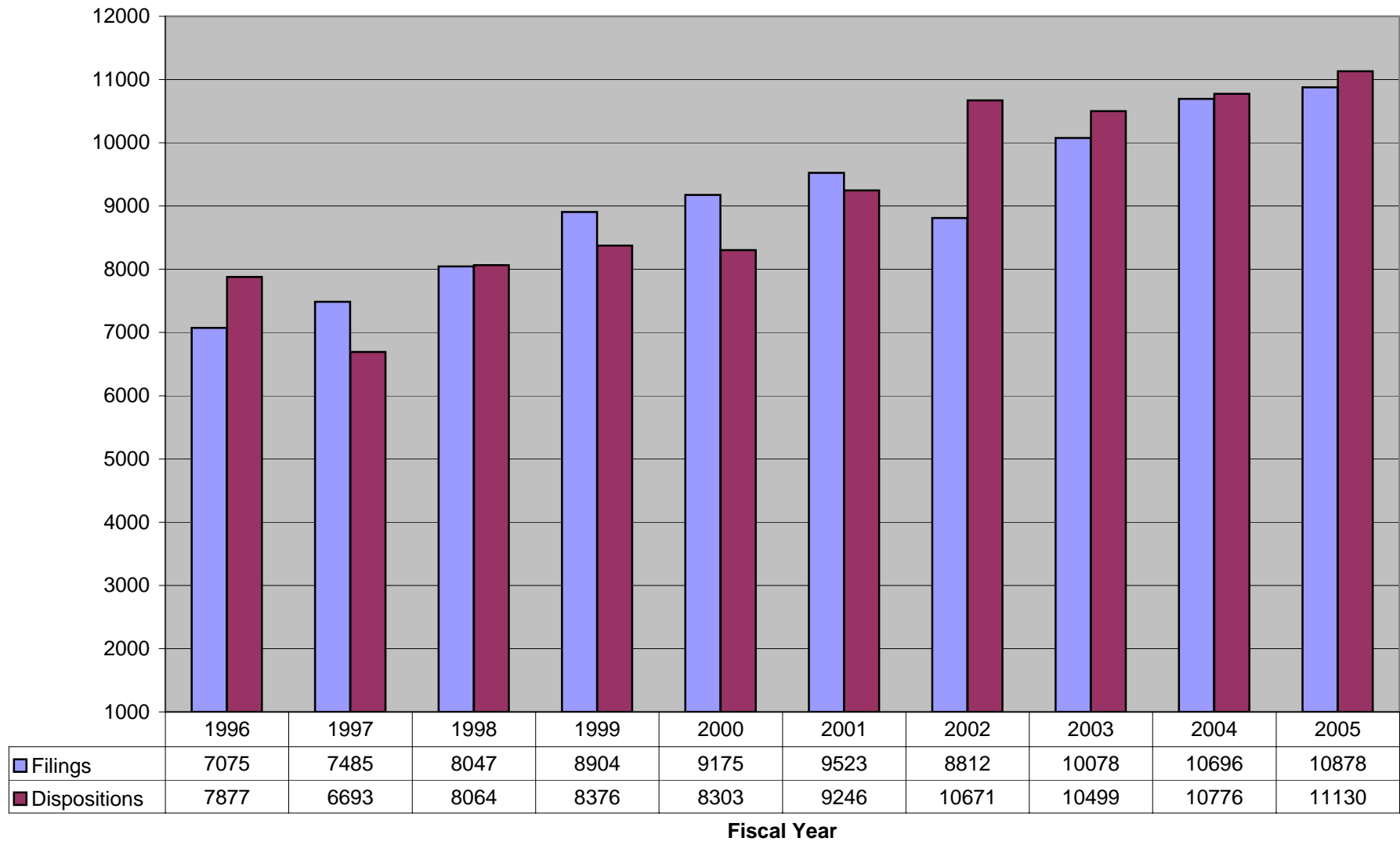
Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005-Civil Complaints-Elapsed Time						
Average Time From Filing to Disposition						
	Trial	Arbitrator's Order	Default Judgment	Voluntary Dismissal	Other	Total
New Castle County	870.6 days	329.8 days	233.5 days	409.2 days	1208.4 days	615.4 days
Kent County	778.5 days	266.1 days	239.5 days	344.8 days	478.5 days	359.6 days
Sussex County	640.1 days	330.6 days	327.4 days	472.1 days	1113.0 days	556.1 days
State	763.1 days	308.8 days	266.8 days	408.7 days	933.3 days	510.3 days

Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005-Civil Mechanics' Liens and Mortgages-Method of Disposition											
	Trial		Arbitrator's Order		Default Judgment		Voluntary Dismissal		Other		Total
New Castle County	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	993	54.6%	640	35.2%	184	10.1%	1,818
Kent County	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	244	60.7%	115	28.6%	43	10.7%	402
Sussex County	2	0.5%	0	0.0%	195	47.1%	164	39.6%	53	12.8%	414
State	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	1,432	54.4%	919	34.9%	280	10.6%	2,634

Performance Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005-Civil Mechanics' Liens and Mortgages-Elapsed Time						
Average Time From Filing to Disposition						
	Trial	Arbitrator's Order	Default Judgment	Voluntary Dismissal	Other	Total
New Castle County	792.0 days	0.0 days	111.1 days	168.6 days	448.9 days	165.9 days
Kent County	0.0 days	0.0 days	140.2 days	188.8 days	645.9 days	208.2 days
Sussex County	1,138.5 days	0.0 days	108.3 days	253.4 days	320.6 days	197.9 days
State	1023.0 days	0.0 days	115.7 days	186.3 days	454.9 days	177.4 days

Source: Prothonotary's Offices, Superior Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

Superior Court Civil 10 Year Caseload Trend



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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil ADR Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	2,810	2,891	81	2.9%
Kent County	412	482	70	17.0%
Sussex County	247	256	9	3.6%
State	3,469	3,629	160	4.6%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil ADR Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	2,629	3,025	396	15.1%
Kent County	400	434	34	8.5%
Sussex County	296	314	18	6.1%
State	3,325	3,773	448	13.5%

ADR = Alternative Dispute Resolution

Source: ADR Unit, Superior Court

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	31,698	31,116	-582	-1.8%
Kent County	11,671	11,039	-632	-5.4%
Sussex County	12,590	12,484	-106	-0.8%
State	55,959	54,639	-1320	-2.4%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 Total Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County*	32,207	30,494	-1,713	-5.3%
Kent County*	10,454	11,366	912	8.7%
Sussex County	12,395	12,453	58	0.5%
State	55,056	54,313	-743	-1.3%

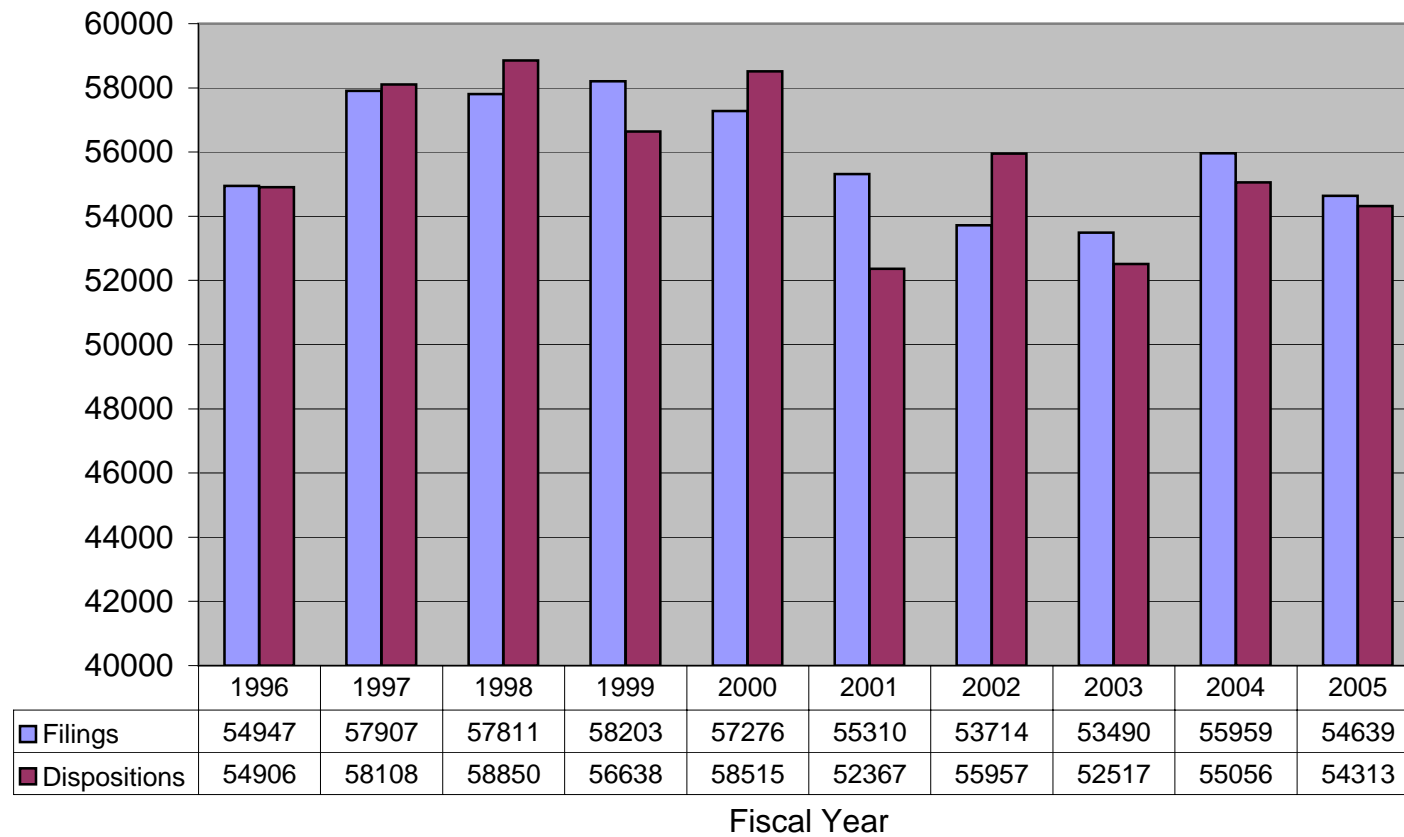
*FY 2004 data amended

Total Cases Explanatory Notes Fiscal Year

1. The unit of count in Family Court for adult criminal, juvenile delinquency, and civil cases is the filing.
2. A criminal or delinquency filing is defined as one incident filed against one individual. Each incident is counted separately so that multiple incidents brought before the Court on a single individual are counted as multiple charges.
 - a. A single criminal or delinquency filing may be comprised of a single or multiple charges relating to a single incident.
 - b. A criminal filing is received by the Court in the form of an information or a complaint, and a delinquency filing is received by the Court in the form of a petition or a complaint
3. A civil filing is defined as a single civil incident filed with Family Court. A civil incident is initiated by a petition. In a divorce, although the petition may contain multiple ancillary matters to the divorce, it is counted as one filing.

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

Family Court Total 10 Year Caseload Trend



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Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Adult Criminal Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	3,265	3,065	-200	-6.1%
Kent County	895	920	25	2.8%
Sussex County	953	929	-24	-2.5%
State	5,113	4,914	-199	-3.9%

Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Adult Criminal Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	3,940	2,728	-1,212	-30.8%
Kent County	867	936	69	8.0%
Sussex County	965	935	-30	-3.1%
State	5,772	4,599	-1173	-20.3%

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Juvenile Delinquency Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	5,588	5,419	-169	-3.0%
Kent County	1,784	1,899	115	6.4%
Sussex County	1,946	1,875	- 71	-3.6%
State	9,318	9,193	-125	-1.3%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Juvenile Delinquency Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County *	7,006	4,520	-2,486	-35.5%
Kent County *	1,780	2,082	302	17.0%
Sussex County	1,946	1,898	- 48	-2.5%
State	10,732	8,500	-2,232	-20.8%

*FY 2004 data amended

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Juvenile Delinquency Case Filings								
	Felony		Misdemeanor		Traffic		Total	
New Castle County	1,090	20.1%	3,887	71.7%	442	8.2%	5,419	100.0%
Kent County	389	20.5%	1,348	71.0%	162	8.5%	1,899	100.0%
Sussex County	306	16.3%	1,365	72.8%	204	10.9%	1,875	100.0%
State	1,785	19.4%	6,600	71.8%	808	8.8%	9,193	100.0%

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Juvenile Delinquency Case Dispositions								
	Felony		Misdemeanor		Traffic		Total	
New Castle County	360	8.0%	3,725	82.6%	427	9.5%	4,512	100.0%
Kent County	410	21.3%	1,348	69.9%	170	8.8%	1,928	100.0%
Sussex County	314	16.6%	1,365	72.0%	217	11.4%	1,896	100.0%
State	1,084	13.0%	6,438	77.2%	814	9.8%	8,336	100.0%

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Arbitration Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	9,362	9,026	-336	-3.6%
Kent County	2,858	3,030	172	6.0%
Sussex County	3,774	3,476	-298	-7.9%
State	15,994	15,532	-462	-2.9%

Caseload Comparisons - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Arbitration Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	9,030	8,591	-439	-4.9%
Kent County	2,828	3,019	191	6.8%
Sussex County	3,809	3,491	-318	-8.3%
State	15,667	15,101	-566	-3.6%

Arbitration Explanatory Notes Fiscal Year 2005

1. Arbitration is an informal proceeding in which a specially trained arbitration officer attempts to resolve juvenile delinquency cases involving minor charges.
2. The Attorney General's Office decides according to established criteria if a case should be prosecuted at formal hearing or if it should be referred to the Arbitration Unit.
3. An arbitration officer decides if the case should be dismissed, sent to a formal hearing, or kept open. A case is kept open if a defendant is required to fulfill conditions set by the officer and agreed to by the defendants.

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	22,845	22,632	-213	-0.9%
Kent County	8,992	8,220	-772	-8.6%
Sussex County	9,691	9,680	- 11	-0.1%
State	41,528	40,532	-996	-2.4%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	21,261	23,246	1,985	9.3%
Kent County	7,807	8,348	541	6.9%
Sussex County	9,484	9,620	136	1.4%
State	38,552	41,214	2,662	6.9%

Source: Court Administrator, Family Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Breakdown Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Filings												
	Divorces and Annulments		RTSC/Other Civil Contempts		New Non-Support		Support Arrearages		Support Modifications		Custody	
New Castle County	1,981	8.8%	767	3.4%	3,848	17.0%	3,800	16.8%	2,006	8.9%	2,597	11.5%
Kent County	766	9.3%	196	2.4%	1,130	13.7%	1,874	22.8%	716	8.7%	891	10.8%
Sussex County	809	8.4%	144	1.5%	1,540	15.9%	2,835	29.3%	911	9.4%	847	8.8%
State	3,556	8.8%	1,107	2.7%	6,518	16.1%	8,509	21.0%	3,633	9.0%	4,335	10.7%
	Visitation		Protection From Abuse		Adoptions		Termination of Parental Rights		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County	635	2.8%	1,908	8.4%	145	0.6%	108	0.5%	4,837	21.4%	22,632	100.0%
Kent County	245	3.0%	782	9.5%	7	0.1%	13	0.2%	1,600	19.5%	8,220	100.0%
Sussex County	195	2.0%	787	8.1%	17	0.2%	25	0.3%	1,570	16.2%	9,680	100.0%
State	1,075	2.7%	3,477	8.6%	169	0.4%	146	0.4%	8,007	19.8%	40,532	100.0%
Caseload Breakdown Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Cases Disposed												
	Divorces and Annulments		RTSC/Other Civil Contempts		New Non-Support		Support Arrearages		Support Modifications		Custody	
New Castle County	2,176	9.4%	764	3.3%	3,477	15.0%	4,866	20.9%	2,250	9.7%	2,530	10.9%
Kent County	729	8.7%	214	2.6%	1,213	14.5%	1,791	21.5%	760	9.1%	906	10.9%
Sussex County	745	7.7%	121	1.3%	1,512	15.7%	2,912	30.3%	968	10.1%	824	8.6%
State	3,650	8.9%	1,099	2.7%	6,202	15.0%	9,569	23.2%	3,978	9.7%	4,260	10.3%
	Visitation		Protection From Abuse		Adoptions		Termination of Parental Rights		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County	629	2.7%	1,872	8.1%	140	0.6%	123	0.5%	4,419	19.0%	23,246	100.0%
Kent County	311	3.7%	753	9.0%	7	0.1%	29	0.3%	1,635	19.6%	8,348	100.0%
Sussex County	169	1.8%	800	8.3%	8	0.1%	31	0.3%	1,530	15.9%	9,620	100.0%
State	1,109	2.7%	3,425	8.3%	155	0.4%	183	0.4%	7,584	18.4%	41,214	100.0%

RTSC = Rules to Show Cause

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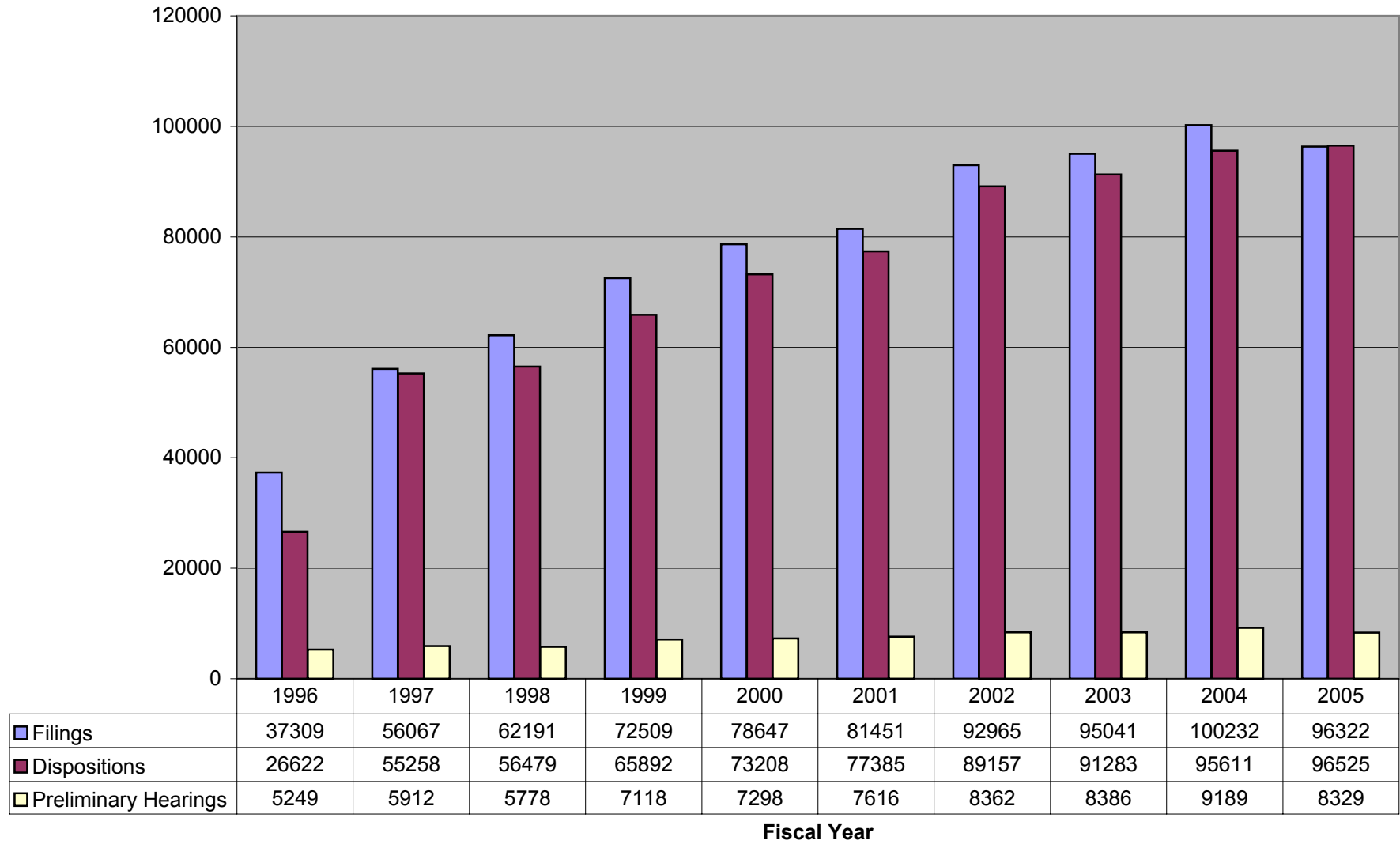
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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	53,709	48,980	-4729	-8.8%
Kent County	21,478	22,435	957	4.5%
Sussex County	25,045	24,907	-138	-0.6%
State	100,232	96,322	-3910	-3.9%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	49,614	49,032	-582	-1.2%
Kent County	20,963	22,568	1605	7.7%
Sussex County	25,034	24,925	-109	-0.4%
State	95,611	96,525	914	1.0%

Source: Court Administrator, Court of Common Pleas; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Common Pleas Total 10 Year Caseload Trend



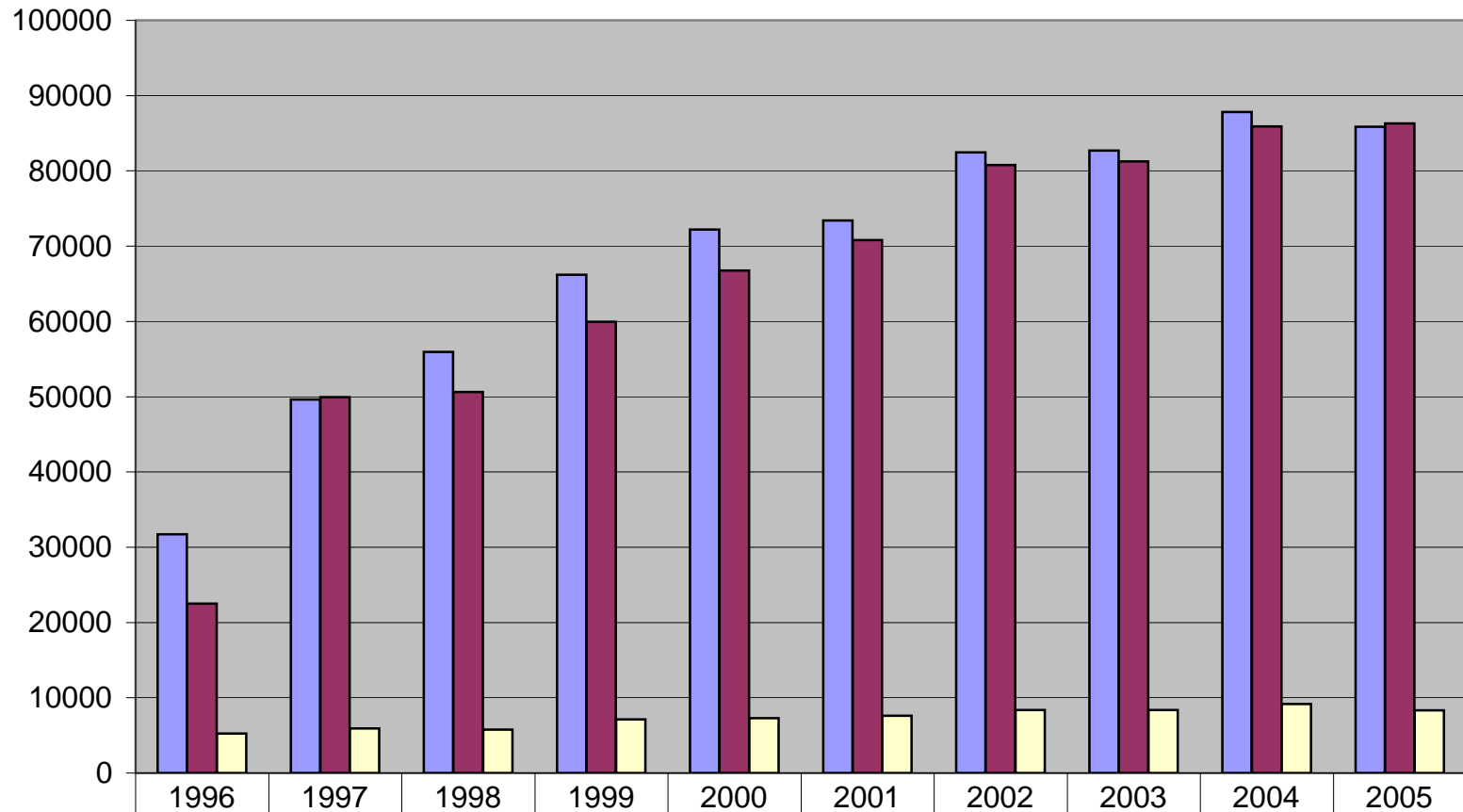
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Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Criminal Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	45,279	42,098	-3181	-7.0%
Kent County	19,503	20,663	1160	5.9%
Sussex County	23,054	23,106	52	0.2%
State	87,836	85,867	-1969	-2.2%

Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Criminal Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	43,639	42,678	-961	-2.2%
Kent County	19,301	20,744	1443	7.5%
Sussex County	22,953	22,897	-56	-0.2%
State	85,893	86,319	426	0.5%

Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005- Criminal Case Preliminary Hearings Held				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	5,336	4,724	-612	-11.5%
Kent County	2,110	1,990	-120	-5.7%
Sussex County	1,743	1,615	-128	-7.3%
State	9,189	8,329	-860	-9.4%

Source: Court Administrator, Court of Common Pleas; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Common Pleas Criminal 10 Year Caseload Trend

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Filings	31718	49633	55960	66216	72211	73393	82469	82719	87836	85867
Dispositions	22515	49947	50638	59933	66755	70811	80757	81257	85893	86319
Preliminary Hearings	5249	5912	5778	7118	7298	7616	8362	8386	9189	8329

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Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Civil Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	8,430	6,882	-1548	-18.4%
Kent County	1,975	1,772	-203	-10.3%
Sussex County	1,991	1,801	-190	-9.5%
State	12,396	10,455	-1941	-15.7%

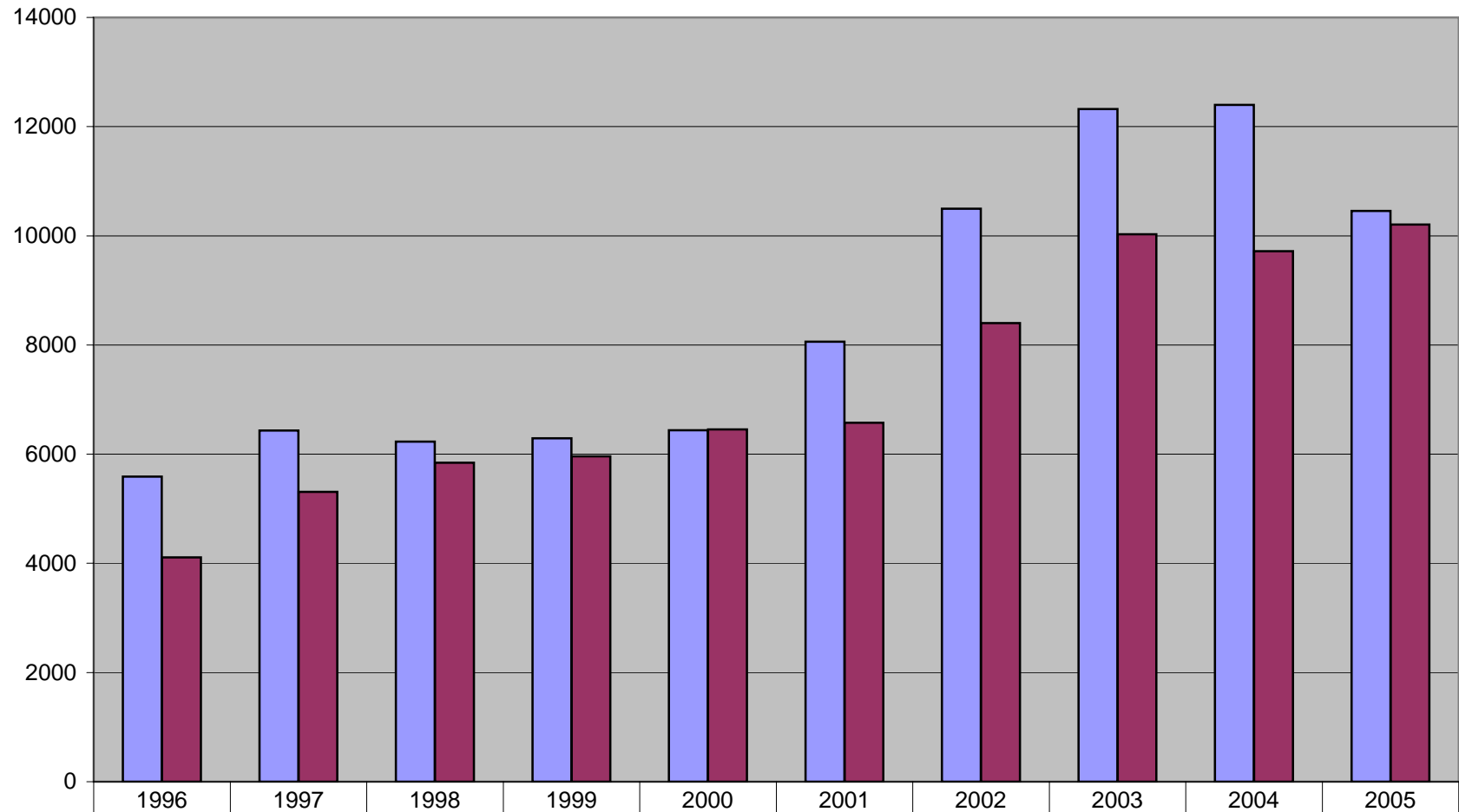
Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Civil Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County	5,975	6,354	379	6.3%
Kent County	1,662	1,824	162	9.7%
Sussex County	2,081	2,028	-53	-2.5%
State	9,718	10,206	488	5.0%

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Filings						
	Complaints		Civil Judgments, Name Changes		Total	
New Castle County	6,444	93.6%	438	6.4%	6,882	100.0%
Kent County	1,655	93.4%	117	6.6%	1,772	100.0%
Sussex County	1,664	92.4%	137	7.6%	1,801	100.0%
State	9,763	93.4%	692	6.6%	10,455	100.0%

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Dispositions						
	Court Action		Counsel Action		Total	
New Castle County	1,343	21.1%	5,011	78.9%	6,354	100.0%
Kent County	605	33.2%	1,219	66.8%	1,824	100.0%
Sussex County	657	32.4%	1371	67.6%	2,028	100.0%
State	2,605	25.5%	7,601	74.5%	10,206	100.0%

Source: Court Administrator, Court of Common Pleas; Administrative Office of the Courts

Court of Common Pleas Civil 10 Year Caseload Trend



Filings	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	5591	6434	6231	6293	6436	8058	10496	12322	12396	10455
Dispositions	4107	5311	5841	5959	6453	6574	8400	10026	9718	10206

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings (defendants)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal	234,397	393,405	159,008	67.8%
Civil	31,059	33,524	2465	7.9%
Total	265,456	426,929	161,473	60.8%

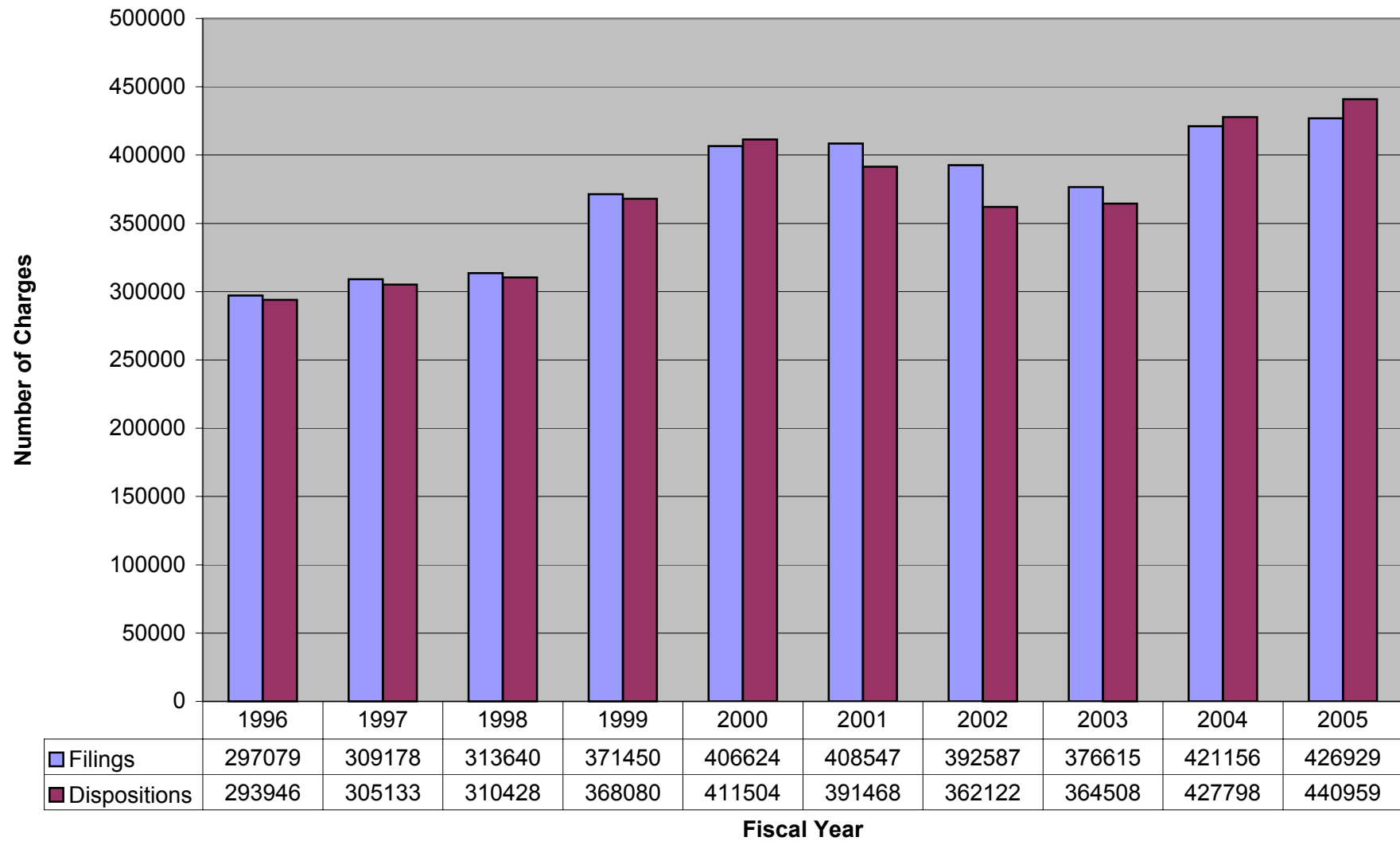
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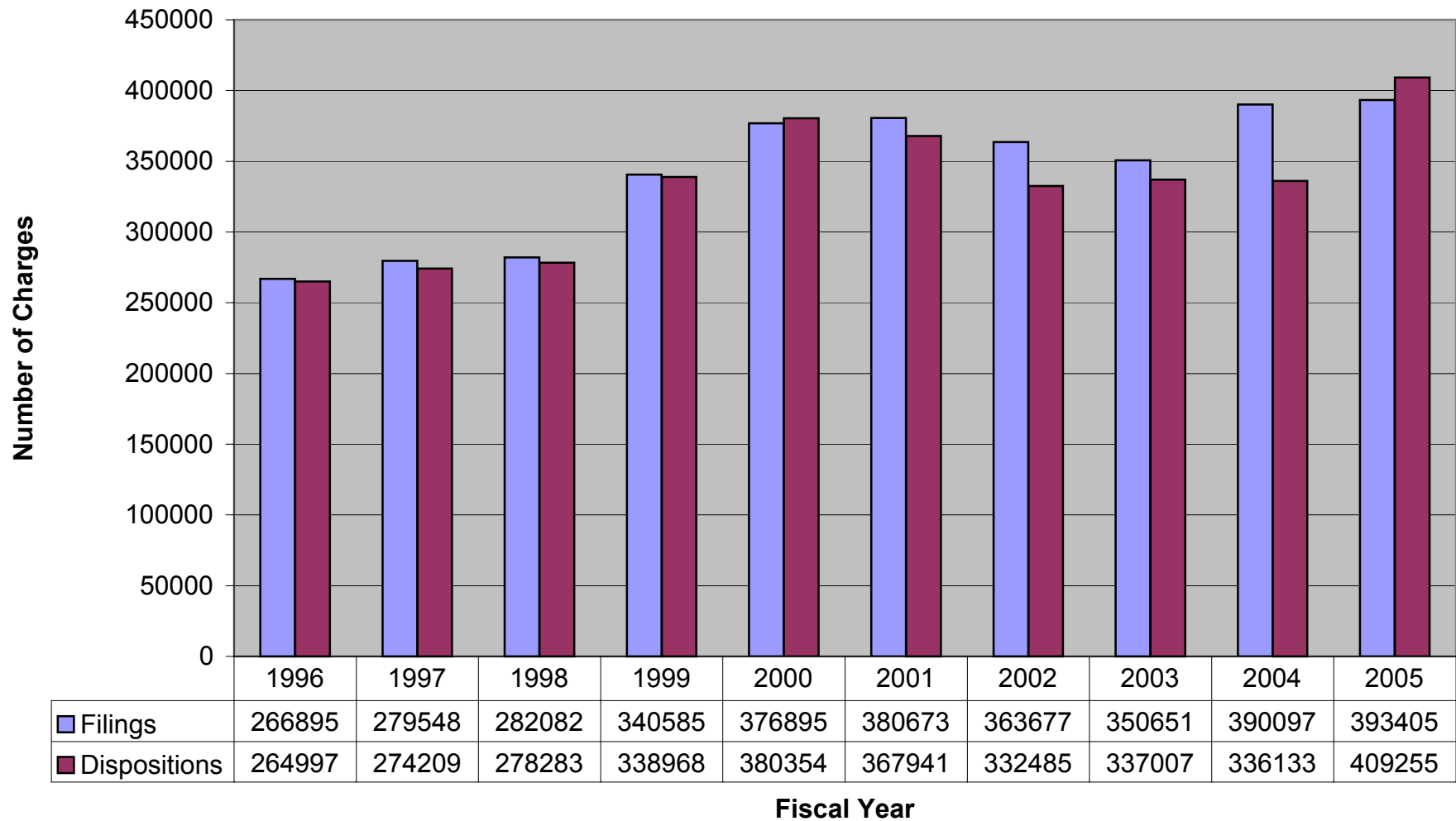
Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings (charges)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal	390,097	393,405	3,308	0.8%
Civil	31,059	33,524	2,465	7.9%
Total	421,156	426,929	5,773	1.4%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Case Dispositions (charges)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
Criminal	398,560	409,255	10,695	2.7%
Civil	29,238	31,704	2,466	8.4%
Total	427,798	440,959	13,161	3.1%

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

JP Court - 10 Year Total Caseload Trend

Justice of the Peace Court - 10 Year Criminal and Traffic Caseload Trend



JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (charges)										
	Title 7 - Fish/Game		Title 11 - Criminal		Title 21 - Traffic		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County										
Court 9	197	3.3%	185	3.1%	5,394	90.3%	196	3.3%	5,972	100.0%
Court 10	172	0.9%	1,164	6.3%	15,951	86.4%	1,176	6.4%	18,463	100.0%
Court 11	647	1.4%	13,730	30.1%	26,116	57.3%	5,103	11.2%	45,596	100.0%
Court 15	34	0.3%	769	6.9%	9,951	89.9%	313	2.8%	11,067	100.0%
Court 20	109	0.4%	10,026	34.2%	12,922	44.1%	6,220	21.2%	29,277	100.0%
Kent County										
Court 6*	120	1.6%	804	10.7%	6,322	84.5%	236	3.2%	7,482	100.0%
Court 7	665	1.8%	11,083	29.6%	21,393	57.2%	4,278	11.4%	37,419	100.0%
Court 8	10	0.3%	311	9.8%	2,729	86.0%	124	3.9%	3,174	100.0%
Sussex County										
Court 1	354	7.1%	183	3.7%	3,862	77.8%	564	11.4%	4,963	100.0%
Court 2	416	1.3%	20,247	64.3%	8,217	26.1%	2,595	8.2%	31,475	100.0%
Court 3	595	1.8%	12,070	36.8%	17,132	52.2%	3,009	9.2%	32,806	100.0%
Court 4	8	0.0%	2,169	13.5%	13,377	83.5%	469	2.9%	16,023	100.0%
Court 14	5	0.1%	124	2.9%	4,095	94.2%	124	2.9%	4,348	100.0%
State without VAC	3,332	1.3%	72,865	29.4%	147,461	59.4%	24,407	9.8%	248,065	100.0%
VAC	349	0.2%	1	0.0%	144,946	99.7%	44	0.0%	145,340	100.0%
State with VAC	3,681	0.9%	72,866	18.5%	292,407	74.3%	24,451	6.2%	393,405	100.0%

* JP Courts 5 and 6 merged effective FY2005

VAC = Voluntary Assessment Center

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (charges)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	5,328	5,972	644	12%
Court 10	18,919	18,463	-456	-2%
Court 11	42,389	45,596	3,207	8%
Court 15	12,969	11,067	-1,902	-15%
Court 20	36,837	29,277	-7,560	-21%
Kent County				
Court 6*	8,036	7,482	-554	-6.9%
Court 7	38,993	37,419	-1,574	-4.0%
Court 8	2,999	3,174	175	5.8%
Sussex County				
Court 1	4,444	4,963	519	11.7%
Court 2	30,812	31,475	663	2.2%
Court 3	32,123	32,806	683	2.1%
Court 4	15,002	16,023	1,021	6.8%
Court 14	3,864	4,348	484	12.5%
State without VAC	252,715	248,065	-4650	-1.8%
VAC	137,382	145,340	7,958	5.8%
State with VAC	390,097	393,405	3,308	0.8%

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Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (defendants)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	1,934	3,391	1,457	75.3%
Court 10	7,378	10,201	2,823	38.3%
Court 11	17,031	20,063	3,032	17.8%
Court 15	6,108	5,642	-466	-7.6%
Court 20	16,241	14,437	-1,804	-11.1%
Kent County				
Court 6*	5,118	4,016	-1,102	-21.5%
Court 7	15,891	18,146	2,255	14.2%
Court 8	2,114	1,625	-489	-23.1%
Sussex County				
Court 1	2,613	2,700	87	3.3%
Court 2	11,361	12,888	1,527	13.4%
Court 3	10,893	11,361	468	4.3%
Court 4	6,840	7,569	729	10.7%
Court 14	1,677	1,787	110	6.6%
State without VAC	105,199	113,826	8,627	8.2%
VAC	109,916	142,745	32,829	29.9%
State with VAC	215,115	256,571	41,456	19.3%

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Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Criminal and Traffic Filings (defendants)										
	Title 7 - Fish/Game		Title 11 - Criminal		Title 21 - Traffic		Miscellaneous		Total	
New Castle County										
Court 9	146	4.3%	143	4.2%	2,940	86.7%	162	4.8%	3,391	100.0%
Court 10	161	1.6%	850	8.3%	8,201	80.4%	989	9.7%	10,201	100.0%
Court 11	387	1.9%	6,394	31.9%	11,282	56.2%	2,000	10.0%	20,063	100.0%
Court 15	18	0.3%	447	7.9%	4,932	87.4%	245	4.3%	5,642	100.0%
Court 20	72	0.5%	5,337	37.0%	5,915	41.0%	3,113	21.6%	14,437	100.0%
Kent County										
Court 6*	103	2.6%	454	11.3%	3,331	82.9%	128	3.2%	4,016	100.0%
Court 7	328	1.8%	4,424	24.4%	11,590	63.9%	1,804	9.9%	18,146	100.0%
Court 8	8	0.5%	154	9.5%	1,404	86.4%	59	3.6%	1,625	100.0%
Sussex County										
Court 1	239	8.9%	76	2.8%	1,971	73.0%	414	15.3%	2,700	100.0%
Court 2	315	2.4%	7,797	60.5%	3,992	31.0%	784	6.1%	12,888	100.0%
Court 3	186	1.6%	3,708	32.6%	6,495	57.2%	972	8.6%	11,361	100.0%
Court 4	7	0.1%	921	12.2%	6,380	84.3%	261	3.4%	7,569	100.0%
Court 14	1	0.1%	71	4.0%	1,521	85.1%	194	10.9%	1,787	100.0%
State without VAC	1,971	1.7%	30,776	27.0%	69,954	61.5%	11,125	9.8%	113,826	100.0%
VAC	304	0.2%	1	0.0%	142,399	99.8%	41	0.0%	142,745	100.0%
State with VAC	2,275	0.9%	30,777	12.0%	212,353	82.8%	11,166	4.4%	256,571	100.0%

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Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURTS

Caseload Summary Fiscal Year 2005 - Capiases Handled*								
	Superior Court		Family Court		Court of Common Pleas		Total	
New Castle County								
Court 9	21	28.0%	9	12.0%	45	60.0%	75	100.0%
Court 10	34	12.2%	48	17.3%	196	70.5%	278	100.0%
Court 11	555	13.7%	713	17.6%	2,773	68.6%	4,041	100.0%
Court 15	2	9.5%	3	14.3%	16	76.2%	21	100.0%
Court 20	699	17.7%	784	19.9%	2,463	62.4%	3,946	100.0%
Kent County								
Court 6	23	16.4%	29	20.7%	88	62.9%	140	100.0%
Court 7	625	16.9%	675	18.2%	2,399	64.9%	3,699	100.0%
Court 8	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--
Sussex County								
Court 1	2	9.1%	5	22.7%	15	68.2%	22	100.0%
Court 2	507	16.8%	526	17.4%	1,989	65.8%	3,022	100.0%
Court 3	435	16.1%	494	18.2%	1,780	65.7%	2,709	100.0%
Court 4	54	11.2%	103	21.3%	327	67.6%	484	100.0%
Court 14	20	15.4%	21	16.2%	89	68.5%	130	100.0%
Total	2,977	16.0%	3,410	18.4%	12,180	65.6%	18,567	100.0%

*Capiases issued by other courts that are processed by a Justice of the Peace Court

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

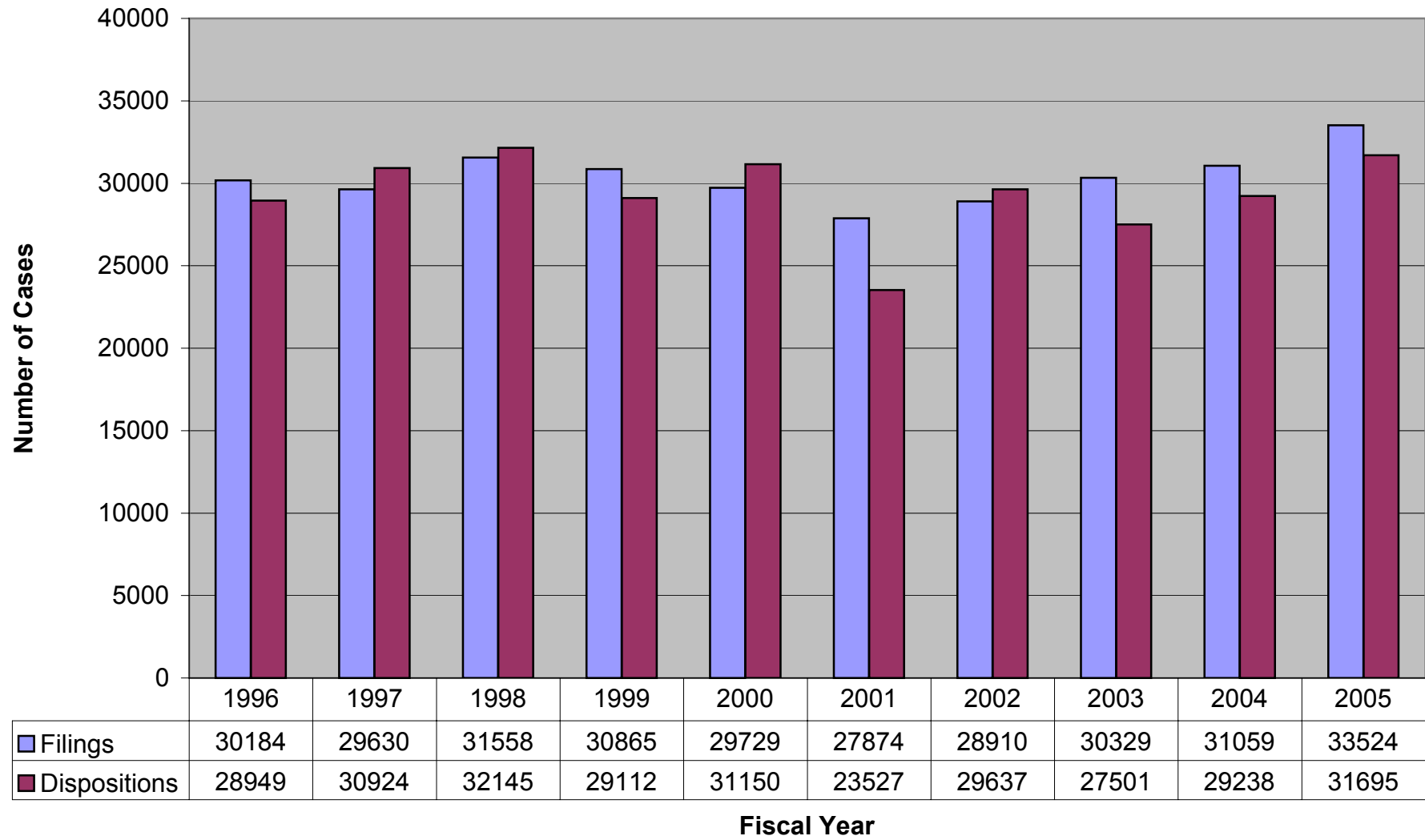
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Filings				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	872	1,020	148.0	17.0%
Court 12	9,839	11,506	1,667.0	16.9%
Court 13	9,135	9,109	-26.0	-0.3%
Kent County				
Court 8	0	0	0	--
Court 16	6,556	6,650	94	1.4%
Sussex County				
Court 17	2,754	2,900	146	5.3%
Court 19	1,903	2,339	436	22.9%
State	31,059	33,524	2,465	7.9%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Civil Case Dispositions				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Court 9	744	727	-17	-2.3%
Court 12	9,922	11,309	1387	14.0%
Court 13	7,226	7,644	418	5.8%
Kent County				
Court 8	9	0	-9	-100.0%
Court 16	6,610	6,652	42	0.6%
Sussex County				
Court 17	2,703	2,968	265	9.8%
Court 19	2,024	2,395	371	18.3%
State	29,238	31,695	2457	8.4%

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

Justice of the Peace Court - 10 Year Civil Caseload Trend



JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Caseload Breakdowns Fiscal Year 2005 - Civil Case Filings						
	Complaints		Landlord/Tenant		Total	
New Castle County						
Court 9	670	65.7%	350	34.3%	1,020	100.0%
Court 12	5,399	46.9%	6,107	53.1%	11,506	100.0%
Court 13	4,377	48.1%	4,732	51.9%	9,109	100.0%
Kent County						
Court 8	0	--	0	--	0	--
Court 16	4,416	66.4%	2,234	33.6%	6,650	100.0%
Sussex County						
Court 17	1,761	60.7%	1,139	39.3%	2,900	100.0%
Court 19	1,140	48.7%	1,199	51.3%	2,339	100.0%
State	17,763	53.0%	15,761	47.0%	33,524	100.0%

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT

Court Rankings - Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Total Filings (charges)						
2005 Rank w/o VAC		Court	Total Filings	% of Total w/o VAC		2004 Rank w/o VAC
1		Court 11	45,596	16.2%		1
2		Court 7	37,419	13.3%		2
3		Court 3	32,806	11.7%		4
4		Court 2	31,475	11.2%		5
5		Court 20	29,277	10.4%		3
6		Court 10	18,463	6.6%		6
7		Court 4	16,023	5.7%		7
8		Court 12	11,506	4.1%		9
9		Court 15	11,067	3.9%		8
10		Court 13	9,109	3.2%		10
11		Court 6	7,482	2.7%		13
12		Court 9	6,992	2.5%		12
13		Court 16	6,650	2.4%		11
14		Court 1	4,963	1.8%		14
15		Court 14	4,348	1.5%		15
16		Court 8	3,174	1.1%		16
17		Court 17	2,900	1.0%		17
18		Court 19	2,339	0.8%		19
State w/o VAC			281,589			
VAC			145,340			
State w/ VAC			426,929			

JP Courts 5 and 6 merged effective FY2005

VAC = Voluntary Assessment Center

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Court Rankings Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Total Case Filings (defendants)					
2005 Rank w/o VAC	Court	Total Filings	% of Total w/o VAC	2004 Rank w/o VAC	
1	Court 11	20,063	13.6%	1	
2	Court 7	18,146	12.3%	3	
3	Court 20	14,437	9.8%	2	
4	Court 2	12,888	8.7%	4	
5	Court 12	11,506	7.8%	6	
6	Court 3	11,361	7.7%	5	
7	Court 10	10,201	6.9%	8	
8	Court 13	9,109	6.2%	7	
9	Court 4	7,569	5.1%	9	
10	Court 16	6,650	4.5%	10	
11	Court 15	5,642	3.8%	11	
12	Court 9	4,411	3.0%	12	
13	Court 6	4,016	2.7%	13	
14	Court 17	2,900	2.0%	14	
15	Court 1	2,700	1.8%	15	
16	Court 19	2,339	1.6%	17	
17	Court 14	1,787	1.2%	19	
18	Court 8	1,625	1.1%	18	
State w/o VAC		147,350			
VAC		142,745			
State w/ VAC		290,095			

JP Courts 5 and 6 merged effective FY2005

Source: Chief Magistrate's Office, Justice of the Peace Court; Administrative Office of the Courts

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Filings (charges)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark	0	0	0	--
Newport	0	0	0	--
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	3,388	3,406	18	0.5%
Dewey Beach	1,503	1,203	-300	-20.0%
Laurel	2,009	1,987	-22	-1.1%
Rehoboth Beach	586	733	147	25.1%
State	7,486	7,329	-157	-2.1%

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2004-2005 - Total Dispositions (charges)				
	2004	2005	Change	% Change
New Castle County				
Newark	0	0	0	--
Newport	0	0	0	--
Sussex County				
Bethany Beach	3,388	3,406	18	0.5%
Dewey Beach	1,503	1,203	-300	-20.0%
Laurel	1,945	1,907	-38	-2.0%
Rehoboth Beach	603	694	91	15.1%
State	7,439	7,210	-229	-3.1%

The unit of count for criminal and traffic cases is the charge. For example, a defendant with three charges disposed of is counted as three dispositions.

Note: Data not available for Newport and Newark

Source: Alderman's Courts; Administrative Office of the Courts.